



Carl Vinson / CVW-9 Sailor of the Day

AN Javier Garcia



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AN Javier Garcia of VFA-146, the "BLue Diamonds" inspects ordnance after it has been loaded onto an F/A-18C Hornet.

Today's Sailor of the Day is a prime example of a person who not only loves to work, but doesn't feel completely satisfied with his job if he's not constantly learning something new and striving for higher goals.

A native of Sacramento, Calif., AN Javier Garcia from VFA-146, the "Blue Diamonds," works in line shack and is currently TAD to the squadron's Admin Department 1st Lt. division. His daily responsibilities consist of maintenance, ordering all required supplies and the general cleanliness of the male living areas.

Garcia is also responsible for ensuring that 180 male-berthing residents have a comfortable quality of life. He conducts the security of the berthing and head as well as the pick-up, drop-off and sorting of laundry.

"Airman Garcia completes every task with enthusiasm," said YNC(AW) Jeff Jones, the Blue Diamond's admin officer. "He always gets the job done right the first time, every time."

Aside from his duties in the admin office, Garcia also spends much of his free time conducting on-the-job training with the ordnance branch. He hopes to strike into the AO rate as soon as possible and is grateful for all the help he's receiving from the red shirts.

"Everyone in the AO shop works really hard, and they still take the time to provide me with OJT," said Garcia. "They do a great job."

When Garcia's time with the Admin Department 1st LT comes to an end, and he returns to the line shack, he hopes to be qualified as a Plane Captain in order to be a more valuable asset to the division.



The handling of ordnance and OJT has greatly helped to prepare Garcia for a career as an aviation ordnanceman.



Garcia receives OJT from AO1(AW) Adam Bartness from the Blue Diamonds ordnance shop on the components of a GBU-38 JDAM.

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